

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 ADDIS 01610 101111Z

15

ACTION EB-07

INFO OCT-01 AF-06 EUR-12 ISO-00 AID-05 CIAE-00 COME-00

FRB-03 INR-07 NSAE-00 USIA-06 TRSE-00 XMB-02 OPIC-03

SP-02 CIEP-01 LAB-04 SIL-01 OMB-01 L-03 H-02 PA-01

PRS-01 /068 W

----- 003058

R 091406Z FEB 76

FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8071

INFO AMCONGEN ASMARA

AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

AMEMBASSY PARIS

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE ADDIS ABABA 1610

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EINV ET

SUBJECT: COMPENSATION COMMITTEE APPOINTED

REF: ADDIS ABABA 0186

1. ACCORDING TO THE ETHIOPIAN HERALD OF FEB 6, THE EPMG APPOINTED A FIVE-MAN COMMITTEE ON FEB 5 TO "STUDY WAYS FOR THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO FORMER OWNERS OF MEANS OF PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION TRANSFERRED TO PUBLIC OWNERSHIP". THOSE APPOINTED ARE AS FOLLOWS: ATO BILILIGN MANDEFRO, LT. COMMANDER LEMMA GUTEMA, DR. KEBEBDE MENEGESHA, ATO LIBSE-TSEHAI GOSHU AND ATO IBRAHIM YUSUF. DURING THE OATH-TAKING CEREMONY LT. ALEMAYEHU HAILE, CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE OF THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL, CHARGED THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WITH "THE TASK OF UNDERTAKING THOROUGH STUDIES CONCERNING THE FINANCIAL SETUP OF NATIONALIZED MEANS OF PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION AND DRAWING

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 ADDIS 01610 101111Z

UP THE NECESSARY RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE COUNTRY'S LIMITED RESOURCES".

2. COMMENT.

A. EXCEPT FOR LT. COMMANDER LEMMA GUTEMA WHO PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY (SEE BIOGRAPHIC DATA FROM DATED NOV 22, 1974), THE EMBASSY HAS LITTLE OR NO INFORMATION ON THE BACKGROUND, QUALIFICATIONS, ATTITUDES, ETC., OF THE APPOINTEES. NOR IS IT CLEAR WHO HAS BEEN APPOINTED COMMISSIONER (IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE COMPENSATION PROCLAMATION CALLED FOR A COMMISSION COMPOSED OF ONE COMMISSIONER AND FOUR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS) ALTHOUGH PRESUMABLY LEMMA WILL BE SELECTED FOR THAT TASK. THE EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE APPOINTEES AS SOON AS IT IS AVAILABLE.

B. A DISQUIETING ASPECT OF THE PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT IS THE STRESS IT LAYS ON STUDYING WAYS FOR COMPENSATION PAYMENT. THE COMPENSATION DECREE DID NOT EMPHASIZE A STUDY APPROACH BUT RATHER STRESSED THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD BE EMPOWERED TO NEGOTIATE AND REACH AGREEMENTS WITH COMPENSATION CLAIMANTS. THE EMBASSY INTENDS TO PURSUE THIS QUESTION WITH THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A CLEAR PICTURE OF THE PROPOSED PROCEDURES AND WILL REPORT ITS FINDINGS.
HUMMEL

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: NATIONALIZATION, COMPENSATION, PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 09 FEB 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: morefirh
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976ADDIS01610
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760050-0435
From: ADDIS ABABA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760270/aaaacjcn.tel
Line Count: 84
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EB
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 ADDIS ABABA 186
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: morefirh
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 22 APR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <22 APR 2004 by greeneet>; APPROVED <02 JUN 2004 by morefirh>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: COMPENSATION COMMITTEE APPOINTED
TAGS: EINV, ET, (MANDEFRO, ATO BILILIGN)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006